The Humble

ADDRESS

Of the Right Honourable the

Lords Spiritual and Temporal

In Parliament aſſembled,

PRESENTED TO

HIS MAJESTY

On *Friday* the Second Day of *December*, 1757.

WITH

His Majeſty's

MOST GRACIOUS

ANSWER.

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ORdered by the Lords Spiritual and Temporal in Parliament aſſembled, That the Addreſs of this Houſe preſented to His Majeſty, and His Majeſty's moſt gracious Anſwer thereunto, be forthwith printed, and publiſhed.

Aſhley Cowper,

Cler' Parliamentor'

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Die Jovis, 1° *Decembris*, 1757.

Moſt Gracious Sovereign,

WE, Your Majeſty's moſt dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, in Parliament aſſembled, beg Leave to return Your Majeſty our humble Thanks for Your moſt gracious Speech from the Throne.

The Concern which You are pleaſed to expreſs for the Diſappointments that have unhappily attended ſome of the Meaſures, formed by Your Majeſty this Year, for carrying on the juſt War in which we are engaged, is a freſh Mark of Your paternal Regard for the Welfare of Your People, and for the Glory of this Kingdom.

The Teſtimony which Your Majeſty has, at the ſame Time, given to the Spirit and Bravery of this Nation, and to the ardent Zeal of Your Parliament to retrieve theſe Misfortunes, is a Proof of the Juſtice done by Your Royal Mind to our Principles and Sentiments, and the greateſt Encouragement to perſevere in them.

Affected therefore, as we are, with theſe Events, we are not diſcouraged; but we ſincerely promiſe Your Majeſty our hearty Concurrence, and moſt vigorous Aſſiſtance, in accompliſhing, under the Protection of the Divine Providence, Your wiſe and gracious Intentions for our Defence and Safety at Home, and for recovering and ſecuring the Rights and Poſſeſſions of Your Crown and Subjects in *America*, and elſewhere; particularly, by the utmoſt Exertion of that eſſential Part of our Strength, Your Naval Force.

The Preſervation of the Proteſtant Religion, and the Liberties of *Europe*, are Objects never to be forgotten by us. Of this pure Religion, and theſe invaluable Liberties, *Great Britain* has, in all Times, been a principal Bulwark; and cannot fail to continue ſo, under Your Majeſty's auſpicious Reign.

As the late ſignal Succeſs in *Germany* fills us with unfeigned Joy, ſo it animates our Hopes to ſee this glorious Cauſe revive: And we do, with equal Thankfulneſs and Satisfaction, acknowledge Your Majeſty's generous Declaration, that, for the Sake of it, You will decline no Inconveniences.

To defend Your Majeſty againſt all Your Enemies, to ſupport Your Honour and real Intereſts, and to ſtrengthen Your Hands, are our indiſpenſable Duty. It ſhall alſo be our Endeavour, to improve this Succeſs to the moſt uſeful Purpoſes; and to exert ourſelves in ſupporting Your Good Ally the King of *Pruſſia*, whoſe Magnanimity and unexampled Firmneſs are ſo evident to all the World, and of ſuch great Utility to the Common Cauſe.

We have ſeen, with the utmoſt Abhorrence, that Spirit of Diſorder and Riot which has ſhewn itſelf of late amongſt the common People. We are ſenſible that it is inconſiſtent with all Government, and neceſſary to be reformed and ſuppreſſed. Nothing ſhall be wanting, on our Part, for this ſalutary Purpoſe; and to enforce and add Strength to the Laws, and lawful Authority, on which the Liberty and Property of the Meaneſt, as well as of the Chief, of Your Subjects depend.

Your Majeſty's kind Admonition, of the Neceſſity of Union and Harmony amongſt ourſelves, is highly worthy the Common Father of Your People: We will always have it before our Eyes. And we give Your Majeſty the ſtrongeſt Aſſurances, that our Loyalty and good Affections to Your Majeſty, and Your Royal Family, of which we have, on all Occaſions, given real Proofs, are never to be ſhaken or diminiſhed. The Preſervation of Your Sacred Perſon, the Stability of Your Government, and the Continuance of the Proteſtant Succeſſion in Your Illuſtrious Houſe, will ever be moſt dear to us, and eſſential to the Happineſs of all Your People.

His MAJESTY's moſt Gracious ANSWER.

My LORDS,

NOthing could poſſibly give Me greater Satisfaction, than this very dutiful and affectionate Addreſs. I heartily thank you for it; and make no Doubt, but the Zeal and Vigour which you ſo ſeaſonably expreſs in this critical Conjuncture, will have the beſt Effects both at Home and Abroad.

FINIS.